## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

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NATIONAL GRID USA SERVICE CO., INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

C.A. No. 15-243 S

JAMES LOMBARDI in his Capacity as the Treasurer of the CITY OF PROVIDENCE,

Defendant.

## **ORDER**

WILLIAM E. SMITH, Chief Judge.

This case involves a dispute over who is responsible for paying for the utilities provided to the Hurricane Barrier in the City of Providence. Before the Court are three motions relating to the parties' respective pleadings. First, Defendant seeks to strike Plaintiff's Amended Complaint because Plaintiff did not seek leave to file it. (ECF No. 11.) Perhaps recognizing its error, Plaintiff subsequently filed a Motion for Leave to File an Amended Complaint. (ECF No. 13.) Plaintiff attaches the same Amended Complaint that is subject to Defendant's Motion to Strike. (Compare ECF No. 10 with ECF No. 13-1.) In the proposed Amended Complaint, Plaintiff seeks to add claims against a third-party, the United States Army Corp of Engineers, alleging that it is

responsible for a portion of the utilities to the Hurricane

Barrier. (ECF No. 13-1.) Finally, Defendant seeks leave to file

a Third Party Complaint against the United States Army Corp of

Engineers. (ECF No. 12.) Like Plaintiff, Defendant believes the

Corp is responsible for a portion of the utilities at issue in

this action. No party filed oppositions to the various motions.

The Court, thus, orders as follows:

(1) Defendant's Motion to Strike (ECF No. 11) is GRANTED;

(2) Defendant's Motion for Leave to File Third Party

Complaint (ECF No. 12) is GRANTED;

(3) Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File an Amended

Complaint (ECF No. 13) is GRANTED. To ensure clarity of

the record, Plaintiff shall refile its Amended Complaint

as the "Second Amended Complaint."

IT IS SO ORDERED.

William E. Smith

Chief Judge

Date: April 19, 2016

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